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FIGHT FOR POSTOFFICE JOB DEVELOPS; MORE IN RACE NOW

Pacheco's Friends Talk of a
Counter-action against Wil-
der for Making Protest

+ ANGLES DEVELOPED
+ IN POSTOFFICE ROW
+ New name recommended to
+ president for Honolulu postmas-
+ tership.
+ Watson denies knowledge of
+ Senator Williams' choice.
+ Democratic territorial central
+ committee to meet tonight;
+ prophesies today of action
+ against A. A. Wilder for object-
+ ing to M. C. Pacheco.
+ Charles ("Soapbox") Barron
+ tells Democratic friends he is go-
+ ing to Washington tomorrow to
+ press own candidacy.
+ Dark horse said to have re-
+ ceived backing for office.

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(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—

The case of Manuel C. Pacheco, selected to be postmaster at Honolulu furnishes a forcible modern illustration of the unexpected interruption likely to occur when the cup is on the point of being drained, but is prevented by the disagreeable slip. This little story will form hereafter the embellishment for pointing many morals and adorning numerous tales.

The nomination of Mr. Pacheco was made out at the White House in due form. The executive secretary's carriage was waiting outside, in readiness for conveying him, and the batch of appointments to the senate. He had his hat and overcoat on and the bundle of papers in his pocket.

The telephone bell merrily tinkled. Postmaster-general Burleson hastily requested that the nomination be held up. He offered no explanation. He insisted that the name be eliminated, but did not promise that it would be ready at any specified future date.

The secretary took a blunt blue pencil and marked out all trace of Mr. Pacheco's name. The lists went to the senate, and were made public in that form, with the blue line cutting deep into the thin paper.

A curious man at the capital examined all the lists received there, seeking to untangle the identity of the one eliminated. By pouring a few drops of alcohol on the blue mark he finally made out the word "Honolulu." As the name stricken out occurred in the chapter devoted to postmasters the remainder of the task was easy.

White House in Ignorance.
It was speedily ascertained that Manuel C. Pacheco was in the selection for the territorial capital. Immediate inquiries at the White House developed the fact that nothing was known there as to the reasons for the postmaster-general's urgent request.

Officials at the postoffice department were inclined to be reticent, but frankly admitted that a violent protest had been received, protesting against the appointment of Mr. Pacheco. The protest was of sufficient gravity to demand a thorough investigation. The name was held up to conduct an inquiry. It was said that the retention of Mr. Pacheco as the selection for postmaster would depend on the result of the investigation. An adverse report would mean his elimination from the race. It was said that the precise nature of the charges would not be disclosed pending the inquiry ordered.

Within three hours after the name of Mr. Pacheco was erased from the list of nominations Senator John Sharp Williams, the great friend of Edward M. Watson, hastened to the White House and secured a recommendation for a postmaster at Honolulu. The name submitted was not that of Mr. Pacheco.

FEDERAL JOB CAUSE OF MANY-SIDED FIGHT AMONG THE DEMOCRATS

Many angles, acute, obtuse and otherwise, are developing in the Democratic fight for the postmastership of Honolulu.

Edward M. Watson, whose close friend in the United States senate, John Sharp Williams of Mississippi, has recommended to President Wilson a candidate for the office, said this morning that he has no idea what the name of Williams' choice is. He said it is possible that Judge A. A. Wilder called on Senator Williams and that the suggestion as to this unknown candidate came from Judge Wilder. Mr. Watson gives no indication as to whether he has favored anyone, definitely for the place, though he intimates that he has not indorsed either Pacheco or Barron.

One of the well-authenticated stories floating around in Democratic circles this morning is that "Soapbox" Barron is going to Washington as fast as boat and train will get him there, and that he intends to leave on the Honolulu.

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Team Leaves for Mainland To-
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LANG AKANA AND LAI
TIN WILL STAY HOME

But A. Akana and New Ma-
terial Will Bring It Up to
Standard

+ CHINESE PLAYERS WHO
+ WILL MAKE THE TRIP
+ Sam Hop, manager; Kan Yin,
+ captain and catcher; Apau Kau,
+ F. Robinson, A. Robinson and
+ Kekoa, pitchers; Hung Chong,
+ 1st base; A. Akana, 2d base;
+ Markham, 3d base; Tan Lo, left
+ field; En Sue, center field; Ping
+ Kong, right field; W. Apau, or
+ C. Moriama, utility.
+ Of the pitchers Apau is a first
+ class first baseman, and a good
+ stickler. Kekoa can play second
+ or third, and Foster Robinson is
+ a good outfielder.
+ The Chinese baseball team, minus
+ only two of its members, and strength-
+ ened by the addition of several first-
+ class men from the Chinese Juniors,
+ will leave for the coast tomorrow in
+ the Honolulu. Fourteen men, includ-
+ ing Manager Sam Hop, will make the
+ trip, and this will mean hard work and
+ plenty of it for the players as the
+ schedule is a heavy one, calling for al-
+ most a game a day throughout the
+ entire season. For a road club to
+ play so many games is a severe test,
+ but the Chinese are old campaigners,
+ and all are in the best physical con-
+ dition to stand the grind. With aver-
+ age good luck they should pull through
+ in good style.
+ Lang Akana, left fielder, and Lai
+ Tin, third baseman, are two of the
+ regulars who will be left behind, the
+ former on account of personal reasons.
+ (Continued on page three)

DR. A. P. WILDER TO BE VISITOR FOR FEW DAYS

Retiring Consul-general of
Shanghai Expected Tomor-
row—Received Honors

Dr. Amos P. Wilder, retiring consul-general for the United States at Shanghai and one of the best-known and most efficient men in the American consular service, is expected to arrive in Honolulu on the Hongkong Maru tomorrow and stop over here for several days. He was originally booked, according to news from the Orient, for the Shinyo Maru, which is due to arrive on March 5, but later wire-
less advices indicate that he is a passenger on the Hongkong Maru.

Dr. Wilder has been stationed in China since 1905, going out to Hongkong as consul-general and later returning to Shanghai, where the consulate-general has been established since 1909. He has been in Honolulu several times on trips to and from his post of duty and has a number of acquaintances in this city. It is understood that his health is rather poor at present and on that account it is not likely that he will be extensively entertained during his stay here, although he may be asked to speak before some of the local organizations.

A former newspaperman, gifted editorial writer and student of men and affairs, Dr. Wilder has been unusually successful in American consular service in China through several troublous periods. Before his departure from Shanghai a few days ago he was the guest of honor at a farewell reception where was expressed to him the high regard in which he is held in the Orient and the general regret at his leaving.

At this reception a large number of members of the World's Chinese Students' Federation and their friends assembled in the federation rooms. Dr. Wu Tingfang presided and many prominent Chinese and Americans were present. According to a newspaper report, Doctor Wu expressed Doctor Wilder highly and expressed deep regret that he was leaving China.

Several other speeches were made and Doctor Wilder was presented with a silver cup in token of the good wishes of the federation. Doctor Wilder's informal talk was on the line of friendly advice to China and her young citizens.

Thomas Sammons, consul-general at Yokohama, succeeds Doctor Wilder.

The British steamer Harpalyce, is next vessel from Australia to call, to arrive at Honolulu for dis-
patch. The Harpalyce is 12 days out from Newcastle, N. S. W.

DEVELOPMENT OF SOUTH SEA ISLES NOW IS PLANNED

Washington and Fanning To
Be Exploited for Copra and
Fish and Coaling Station

WILL ERECT DOCK AND
LAY PORTABLE TRACKS

R. M. Fitt and F. Percy Arm-
strong to Make Trip to Hold-
ings in Stmr. Kestrel

For the immediate development of Washington and Fanning islands, particularly in the exportation of phosphates, and the erection of a giant coaling station under the auspices of the Mann, George & Company, large coal merchants of England, owners of a chain of coal stations over the world, the little British steamer Kestrel will sail from here tomorrow at midday, carrying R. M. Fitt and F. Percy Armstrong as passengers, and three miles of portable track and a large supply of provisions as freight.

Mr. Fitt, representative of the interests in control of the two islands and Mr. Armstrong, interested in the coconut and fish industries there, will remain in the south seas for several days, making an inspection of the islands preliminary to the arrival of an expert engineer to arrange for the erection of a large dock, and an expert on phosphates. These two men are expected from the mainland on the next steamer.

Within a month now, Mr. Fitt stated this morning, shipments of phosphates would begin. They are to be sent to Australia and Japan, and will be carried by steamers bringing coal to Fanning. The coal and phosphate feature of the trade will be in charge of Mann, George & Company, who have now acquired a controlling interest in the islands, it is said.

Mr. Fitt left for England in the latter part of the summer and it was while he was in London that the deal was made. He returned here a short time ago accompanied by Mr. Armstrong, at one time in control of the islands, who is enthusiastic on the possibilities for the development of the copra industry on the two islands. Mr. Fitt says that from preliminary estimates there are 5,000,000 tons of phosphates of a fine grade on the islands. The growing demands for phosphates, he says, should make the business exceedingly profitable. The arrangement to use the same steamers

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JURISDICTION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AGAIN QUESTIONED

Gas Company Cites Fact That
Congress Fixes Rates as
Reason for Stand

As set forth in a communication received Saturday afternoon by the public utilities commission, the Honolulu Gas Company, through its secretary, Alfred L. Castle, has raised the question that, as its rates have been fixed by an act of Congress, the commission has no power to regulate them. According to a statement made this morning by E. A. Mott-Smith, chairman of the commission, this issue on the part of the gas company long has been expected by the former organization.

Mr. Castle's communication to the commission is, in part, as follows: "We do not exactly understand your earlier letter (February 11). We have no fares and our rates are fixed by an act of Congress. If you desire information for the purpose of regulating these rates, the commission clearly has no authority. If you wish, as a matter of courtesy, for us to inform you, we will do so with the utmost pleasure."

The letter referred to by the gas company's communication was that written to the company by the commission asking that it be furnished with the rates, fares and classification of such, as used in the utility part of the company's business.

This issue on the part of the gas company brings up Act 155 of the session laws, said Chairman Mott-Smith. "The gas company being among those concerns enumerated in the act. This raises the question as to whether the commission has authority to fix their rates or to exercise any control over them. This power is vested in the superintendent of public works."

The chairman pointed out that the passage of Act 155 by Congress will transfer the duties now performed by the superintendent of public works under the gas company's franchise to the public utilities commission. Thus far, however, it appears clear that the commission has nothing to do with regulating the company's rates. The commission intends securing a copy of the company's franchise and looking into the matter more thoroughly.

PETITION OUT FOR THE SCALP OF WHITEHOUSE

Hardesty Said To Be One of the
Leaders in Movement for
Ousting Engineer

SUPERVISOR DENIES ANY
CONNECTION WITH SCHEME

Mayor and Pacheco Favor Re-
moval of Man Who 'Fired'
Sons of His Honor



J. M. Whitehouse, city and county engineer, whose removal is sought.

News of a petition bearing the signatures of 350 Democrats, calling for the resignation of J. M. Whitehouse, city and county engineer, and demanding the reinstatement of Thomas F. Kennedy, road overseer, who was obliged to resign a few days ago, reached the supervisors yesterday and was discussed by them at their caucus.

Declaring that if the supervisors fail to acquiesce to their demands they will work for their defeat at the next election, the petitioners give their reasons why Whitehouse should be let out and why Kennedy should be retained. In addition to the fact that the engineer is a Republican, they say he has not managed his department competently, and they make it plain that in their opinion Kennedy was a valuable road overseer and did not deserve the action taken against him.

Supervisor Samuel Hardesty, who

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CHICAGO TRIBUNE REPRESENTATIVE HERE AFTER DATA

Henry T. Reilly, Special Writer
for Big Eastern Daily, to
Tour the Pacific

Detailed by the Chicago Tribune on a year's tour of the Orient in that publication's endeavor to impress upon the minds of its thousands of readers that the United States is a Pacific power, and that the questions which arise in the Pacific are of vital importance to the nation, Henry T. Reilly, feature writer and special correspondent for the big eastern daily, is a visitor in Honolulu on the first leg of the journey which will take him to New Zealand, Australia, Japan, China, Korea and the Philippines.

"The Tribune realizes that it is necessary that the people of the United States must understand these questions, what has made them questions and why they are questions," said Mr. Reilly this morning. "It hopes to overcome the present prevailing belief that the questions of the Pacific are independent issues."

In answer to a query as to just what part Hawaii is to play in the undertaking of his paper, Mr. Reilly said that the things which at present interested him here was the commercial situation, the effect of the removal of the sugar tariff, the shipping laws and the contact of the different nationalities.

"I am no malikini, however," he said. "This is my fourth trip to these islands." Since his arrival in Honolulu, Mr. Reilly has had interviews with a number of local personages. This morning he expressed a wish that he might remain longer, but said that the press of his work demanded his early departure for the Orient. He will leave Honolulu on the Monoglia. Mr. Reilly plans to write as he goes along, and doubtless his articles will contain much information of interest to the people of Honolulu and the territory.

WILSON URGES UNITED STATES USE CONTROL; VILLA STILL HAGGLES OVER BENTON'S BODY

Suspicion Arises That Rebel Leader Wishes Delay Until No
Medical Examination Can Be Made—American Citizen,
Bauch, Believed To Have Been Killed as Spy

(Associated Press Cable)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 2.—With growing excitement in Europe echoed by growing excitement in America over the Benton case and the unsatisfactory attitude of Carranza and Villa, President Wilson today took the newspapers into his confidence and discussed the situation freely with them.

Part of his talk and part that he wished told to the country, was the depreciation of haste in forcing the hand of the administration. He told the correspondents that the United States will surely accomplish in the end what it desires in Mexico. He said that those urging the administration to hurry should remember that they themselves must contribute arms, brothers and sweethearts to the death-roll that will be called if the United States intervenes. "If we wait," he said in substance, "this will perhaps be unnecessary."

CHIHUAHUA, Mex., March 2.—Though the United States is making every effort to recover the body of William Benton, the British subject killed at Juarez, indications today gave little prospect of success. General Villa gave out a statement here this morning in which he says that the delay in the investigation of the Benton case is due to General Carranza's determination personally to conduct all diplomatic negotiations. Many people believe that Carranza and Villa are temporizing until the body is so badly decomposed that no medical examination can be made with any certain prospect of showing evidence as to how Benton died, or else that chemicals have been used to secure the same effect.

The attendants of the cemetery where Villa says the body lies, declare that there have been no recent burials there.

Villa has indicated that Gustave Bauch, the American citizen who disappeared from Juarez, is dead. He says that Bauch was arrested as a spy a fortnight ago and has been missing since. Villa says that Bauch had many enemies and was doubtless assassinated.

New York In Throes of Worst Blizzard Since Famous 1888

(Associated Press Cable)
NEW YORK, N. Y., Mar. 2.—New York is in the throes of the third blizzard of the winter and the worst the city has seen since 1888. Indeed, in the sharp suffering suddenly visited upon many thousands of people, even the famous winter of the late eighties has probably been outdone.

Five people have been reported dead of cold, exposure and want since the blizzard swooped down upon the city. The suffering among the poorer classes and among those whose work forces them into the open is intense. Traffic is crippled, both because of the heavy drifting snow and hard winds and because of the difficulty of keeping the surface cars and motor lines running with the employees exposed to long hours in the cold.

Wall street was paralyzed today for the first time in many years, weather conditions being so bad that practically nothing was done by the stock exchange.

A milk famine is feared as the milk routes are demoralized. From Long Island comes word that 85,000 commuters are marooned there, unable to get to their places of business in the city.

Emergency measures have been adopted to clear the snow from the main residence streets. Thousands of extra men have been employed and it is estimated that already a million dollars have been spent in this work.

BOSTON, Mass., Mar. 2.—The entire East appears to have been smitten by the big blizzard. Shipping on the Atlantic Coast, particularly the coastwise traffic, is badly demoralized.

Christy Mathewson Turns Down Fortune to Stick With Giants

CHICAGO, Ill., March 2.—Christy Mathewson, star pitcher of the National league, hero of the last world's series as a member of the New York Giants and by many regarded as the greatest twirler in baseball, today turned down a comfortable fortune in order to stay with Manager McGraw and the Giants. He definitely refused the offer of the Federal league of \$65,000 for three years as a player and manager, and signed with the Giants. The Federals offered to pay him a large sum in cash and guarantee the rest of the stipulated amount but Mathewson would not yield to the lure.

Gen. Horatio King Is Dead

NEW YORK, N. Y., Mar. 2.—Gen. Horatio King, famous Civil War hero, editor, publicist, author and long prominent in politics, died here today. He was a Gold Democrat in 1896 and later a Progressive republican. His talents were many and he was conspicuous in several widely divergent fields.

Tammany Dealt Body Blow

ALBANY, N. Y., March 2.—A shattering blow to the Tammany state machine was dealt today when William Church Osborne, an avowed anti-Tammany Democrat, was elected chairman of the state Democratic central committee. His election is one of the results of the repudiation of Boss Murphy in the New York City election.

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SEVERAL TILTS ENLIVEN BERT BOWER TRIAL

Further testimony to substantiate the government's allegation of illicit relations between George A. "Bert" Bower and Victoria Mortenson was introduced by U. S. District Attorney Jeff McCann this morning, in the trial of Bower in federal court on a statutory charge.

There were also several tilts between opposing counsel in the attempts of Attorneys E. A. Douthett and L. M. Straus, counsel for the defendant, to have portions of the evidence excluded on technical grounds, these resulting in lengthy arguments, during one of which the jury was excused. These objections came with particular frequency during the testimony of Violet Spreen, a 17-year-old half-white girl, who testified to two encounters with Bower in company with a friend.

Prior to returning to his regiment at Schofield Barracks, Lieut. William C. Whitener, 25th infantry, as inspector and instructor of the national guard of Hawaii, the former Lieut. Arthur L. Bump, also of the 25th infantry, who has scored a signal success while detailed to the guard ward house. Lieutenant Bump has shown himself an efficient officer and an able man and will be greatly missed by officers and men alike when he leaves his guard connections, notwithstanding the fact that Lieutenant Whitener bears the reputation of being an equally able officer.

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